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Remarks

The referenced patent application has been reviewed in light of the referenced Office Action.

Claims 1-10 are pending in the referenced Application. Claims 1-10 are rejected.

Claims 1, 3, 4, 5, 8, and 10 are currently amended to clarify Applicant's claimed invention. Claims 2 and 9 are canceled.

Claims 1-10 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112(a) as indefinite. The rejections are moot in view of the submitted amendments and should be withdrawn.

Claims 1-10 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as anticipated by Vijaykumar et al., "Transient-Fault Recovery using Simultaneous Multithreading," Vijaykumar.

All rejections made on the basis of Vijaykumar are moot in light of the amendments submitted. Specifically, claims 1 and 5, the two independent claims as amended, include each an element relating to speculatively storing a value in a memory having extensions for speculative storage. Vijaykumar does not disclose or fairly suggest this element of claims 1 and 5, as amended, respectively. Therefore the rejections of claims 1 and 5 cannot stand and must be withdrawn. Because the rejections of claims 3-4 and claims 6-8 and 10 which depend on claims 1 and 5 respectively rely on the rejections of claims 1 and 5, the rejections of these claims cannot stand and must be withdrawn.

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As argued above therefore the rejections of claims 1, 3-8, and 10 cannot stand and should be withdrawn, and thus all claims pending in the application should be allowed.

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